

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

-against-

STIPULATION & PROTECTIVE ORDER

RASHAWN RUSSELL

23-CR-152 (HG)

Defendant.

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IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by the undersigned attorneys and ORDERED by the Court, pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 16(d), that:

1. All material and information disclosed or produced pursuant to Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3500, and/or pursuant to Brady v. Maryland, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), and Giglio v. United States, 405 U.S. 150 (1972), to the defendant Rashawn Russell (the “Defendant”), and the Defendant’s counsel (“Defense Counsel”), by the government in the above-captioned case (hereinafter, the “Discovery Materials”) shall be governed by this protective order (the “Protective Order”).

2. Discovery Materials, however designated, and any and all copies, notes, transcripts, or documents derived from the Discovery Materials, may be used by the Defendant, Defense Counsel and Defense Staff (which is defined as non-lawyer staff employed or contracted by Defense Counsel, as well as potential witnesses and their counsel, expert witnesses, investigators and interpreters retained by Defense Counsel) only for the purposes of defending against the charges in the above-captioned case, including but not limited to preparation for trial

and any sentencing, appeal, or collateral attack, which was commenced within a year of the exhaustion of the Defendant's appellate rights, involving the charges in the above-captioned case.

3. Except as otherwise provided in this Protective Order, any and all Discovery Materials disclosed or produced to the Defendant and/or Defense Counsel by the government, and any copies, notes, transcripts, or documents derived from the Discovery Materials, shall not be further disclosed or disseminated by the Defendant, Defense Counsel, or Defense Staff to, or with, any individuals, organizations, or other entities.

4. None of the Discovery Materials nor any copies, notes, transcripts, or documents derived from the Discovery Materials, shall be disseminated to, or discussed with, the media in any form. Nothing in this Protective Order prohibits the media from obtaining copies of any items that become public exhibits at any conference, hearing, trial, or other proceeding.

5. If the Defendant obtains substitute counsel, the Defendant, Defense Staff, or Defense Counsel will not transfer any portion of the Discovery Materials or any copies, notes, transcripts, or documents derived from the Discovery Materials, unless and until such counsel becomes counsel of record, has been provided a copy of this Protective Order, signs Attachment A to this Protective Order, and provides a signed copy of Attachment A to the government. Once substitute counsel has provided a signed copy of Attachment A to the government, and following Defense Counsel's withdrawal from the above-captioned case, substitute counsel shall assume Defense Counsel's responsibilities under the Protective Order.

6. The Defendant may review Discovery Materials specifically identified by the government as sensitive discovery material (the "Sensitive Discovery Material"), only in the presence of Defense Counsel or Defense Staff, whether in-person or virtual. The Defendant is

prohibited from having possession, custody, or control of the Sensitive Discovery Material, and any and all copies, notes, transcripts, or documents derived from the Sensitive Discovery Material.

7. The Defendant, Defense Counsel and Defense Staff shall not obtain or create any copies of the Sensitive Discovery Material for disclosure or dissemination to any person other than Defense Counsel and Defense Staff.

8. If Defense Counsel chooses to share the Sensitive Discovery Material with the Defendant, a witness and/or a witness's counsel, that Sensitive Discovery Material must be shared in the presence of Defense Counsel or Defense Staff, whether in-person or virtual.

9. Any documents, material, or information may be designated Sensitive Discovery Material only upon a good-faith belief by the government (or Defense Counsel as it pertains to reciprocal discovery) that such materials contain: identifying information for any potential witness, victim or individual not a party to this litigation; sensitive information of a victim or of a witness; law enforcement sensitive information; information that could implicate the safety of others; information that could impede an ongoing law enforcement investigation; and/or any other information that the government deems in need of heightened protection under this Protective Order. If the government and Defense Counsel do not agree that certain material should be designated as Sensitive Discovery Material, the Defendant may provide notice to the government and a reasoned explanation regarding why the Defendant does not believe the materials require treatment as Sensitive Discovery Material. To the extent the parties do not agree, either party—upon providing notice of the intent to make such an application—may apply to the Court to determine whether the material should be treated as Sensitive Discovery Material. Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude Defense Counsel, after consultation with the government, from making an application to the Court on an *ex parte* basis or otherwise in connection with the government's

designation. The Defendant shall treat the material as Sensitive Discovery Material pending any determination by the Court.

10. Any documents, material, or information determined to be Sensitive Discovery Material may be so designated by stamping the legend "SENSITIVE" on the document or by otherwise indicating the appropriate designation prior to production of the material or information. While each page of a sensitive document and its attachments may be marked, it shall be assumed that a sensitive designation on the first page of a document indicates the same sensitive designation for the entire document and its attachments, unless otherwise noted. Where electronic files or documents are produced in a format that makes stamping impractical, such files and documents may be designated by appending to the media on which such a file or documents are produced, file name, or to the electronic folder in which the file is located, information indicating that the file contains Sensitive material.

11. The Defendant and Defense Counsel will return to the government the Discovery Materials, and the Sensitive Discovery Material, whether in the possession of the Defendant, Defense Counsel, Defense Staff or any other signatory to Attachment A to this Protective Order, when the Defendant concludes all efforts to defend against the charges in the above-captioned case and any superseding indictment, including but not limited to preparing for trial and any sentencing, appeal, or collateral attack, which was commenced within a year of the exhaustion of the Defendant's appellate rights, involving the charges in the above-captioned case.

12. Nothing in this Protective Order shall preclude the government or the Defendant from seeking a further order pursuant to Rule 16(d) as to particular items of the Discovery Materials.

13. Nothing in this Protective Order in any way releases counsel for the government or Defense Counsel from the obligations of the “Free Press Fair Trial Directives” of Local Rule 23.1 of the Local Criminal Rules of the Eastern District of New York.


14. In the event the terms of this Protective Order are violated, Defense Counsel or the government shall advise the Court and opposing counsel immediately of the nature and circumstances of such violation.

15. This Court shall retain jurisdiction over all persons subject to this Order to the extent necessary to enforce any obligations arising hereunder or to impose sanctions for any contempt thereof.

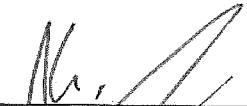
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SO ORDERED.

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